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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed July 30, 2003 (the "Office action") in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks and request reconsideration of this application. They also submit a Petition for the Extension of Time for three months from October 30, 2003 to and including January 30, 2004. It is estimated that no fee, other than the time extension fee, is required for this response. Please charge any fees deemed necessary (and refund any overpayments) to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account 16-1150.

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